

9 CONTRACTING SQUADRON



MISSION

The 9 Contracting Squadron provides servicing contracting office support to more than 7,000 DoD personnel on Beale AFB, CA. The office processes contract actions valued at more than \$35 million annually for the acquisition of complex services, construction, commodities, and contingency contracting requirements unique to the sensitive reconnaissance operations of the 9 Reconnaissance Wing, its detachments and operating locations, tenant units to include the 480th ISR Wing, 940th Air Refueling Wing, the 7th Space Warning Squadron, and a host of other associate units. The 9 Contracting Squadron trains, equips, and deploys contracting officers to execute contingency contracting support to operations worldwide.

The 9 Contracting Squadron is the U.S. Air Force's representative in the local business community and serves as advisor to the 9 Air Base Wing commander on procurement matters such as availability of sources, small business opportunities, and the impact of our local purchase program in nearby communities, as well as being the custodians of the Government Purchase Card credit card program.

The 9 Contracting Squadron has the only authorized agents on base to obligate appropriated funds for the Government to pay for supplies or services from a commercial source for obligations over \$3,000, as well as coordinate on-base product demonstrations by vendors.

The unit is comprised of 42 military and civilian personnel assigned to the 9 Contracting Squadron. The organizational structure is broken down into two distinct functional flights: Acquisition Flight and Plans and Programs Flight.

The Acquisitions Flight is responsible for the procurement, lease, and administration of all supplies, equipment, and services over \$3,000. It is also responsible for the procurement and

administration of base construction projects, architectural and engineering contracts, and related specialized construction projects.

The Plans and Programs Flight handles interfaces with our automated customers, receives and loads all Automated Business Services System customers, and maintains the integrity of all contracting standard procurement system data bases and all other electronic paperless interfaces.

LINEAGE

9 Contracting Squadron constituted, 29 Jan 1992
Activated, 31 Jan 1992

STATIONS

Beale AFB, CA, 31 Jan 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

9 Logistics Group, 31 Jan 1992
9 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1993-20 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1995

1 Jun 1996-31 May 1998

EMBLEM

Approved, 22 Oct 1998

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OPERATIONS

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